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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Please enter the following Response to Restriction Requirement in the above-identified patent application.

REMARKS

This response is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on October 1, 2003. The Office Action requires Applicants to elect between two alleged groups of inventions: I) Claims 1-7; and II) Claims 8-16. Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, Claims 1-7.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected claimed subject matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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